

### **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

In response to the Examiner's further Office Action of June 26, 2007 issued with respect to the present RCE application, the Applicant respectfully submits the accompanying Amendment of the claims and the below Remarks.

#### ***Regarding Amendments***

In the Amendments:

independent claims 1, 19 and 38 are amended to specify that each bubble forming chamber has a plurality of heater elements and that the lateral dimensions of each heater element strip in reach chamber are different than one another. Support for this amendment can be found in pending dependent claims 15 and 34 and at page 18, lines 25-32 of the present specification;

dependent claims 4 and 22 are cancelled;

dependent claims 12 and 31 are amended to consistently recite "heater element";

dependent claims 15, 34 and 51 are amended to conform with amended claims 1, 19 and 38; and

dependent claims 2, 3, 5, 6, 8-11, 13, 14, 18, 20, 21, 23-25, 27-30, 32, 33, 37, 39, 40, 42-50 and 52-54 are unchanged.

It is respectfully submitted that the above amendments do not add new matter to the present application.

#### ***Regarding 35 USC 103(a) Rejections***

It is respectfully submitted that the subject matter of above-discussed amended independent claims 1, 19 and 38, and claims 2, 3, 5, 6, 8-18, 20, 21 and 23-25, 27-37, 39, 40 and 42-54 dependent therefrom, is not taught or suggested by any one or more of previously cited Kubby, Campbell, Lee, Silverbrook, Otsuka and De Moor in view of newly cited Mitani et al. (US 5,831,648) and/or Rausch et al. (US 6,857,727) and Chan (US 5,870,121), because none of the cited references teach or suggest multiple heater elements in each chamber having different lateral dimensions, as is required by amended independent claims 1, 19 and 38.

It is respectfully submitted that all of the Examiner's rejections have been traversed. Accordingly, it is submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

Very respectfully,

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